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The story so far...

After finding and killing Lilac, Mazutsu's Executive Assistant, Lily journeyed to New York City seeking the help of Iris, one of her few remaining allies. However, the pair discovered their paths are set in different directions once more, when Iris revealed she now works for the CIA. Choosing to continue her search alone, Lily is unaware that another of her old allies, Rose, is now on the hunt as well—and she is the target...

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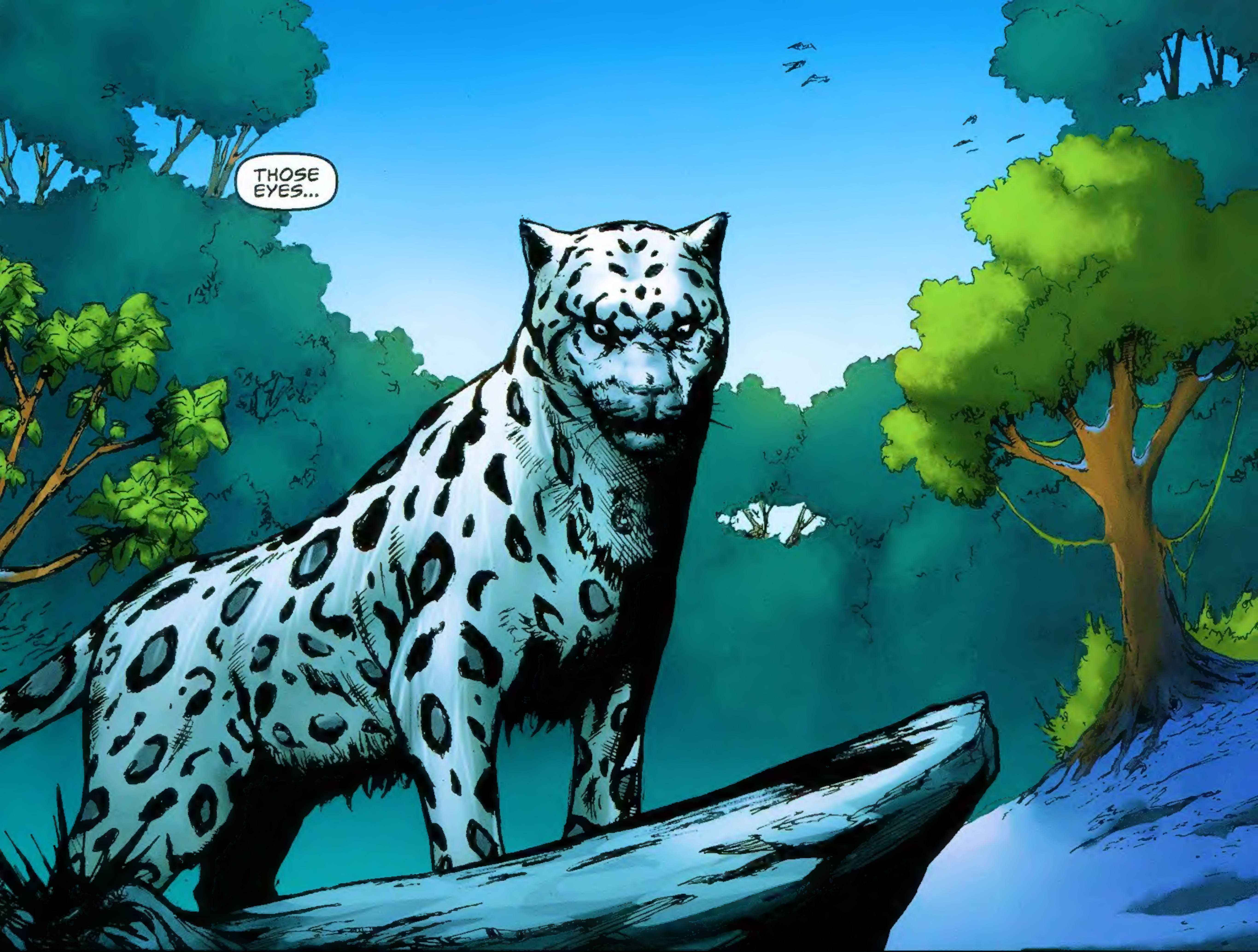
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I DIDN'T ASK YOU TO MEET ME FOR A LECTURE. I'VE HAD PLENTY OF THOSE BEFORE. I WANTED TO--

--YOU CAME TO ASK ME FOR MY HELP. DON'T WASTE YOUR BREATH TRYING TO EXPLAIN IT ANOTHER WAY.

THAT'S NOT IT. I MEAN... YES, I DO NEED HELP. BUT, I CAME TO YOU BECAUSE YOU UNDERSTAND SACRIFICE. WHAT IT MEANS TO LOSE EVERYTHING. VIOLET WAS AN ALLY TO ME AS WELL, DON'T FORGET.



IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK? THAT I WANT TO SPILL BLOOD FOR BLOOD? THAT AVENGING MY DAUGHTER'S DEATH WILL GIVE ME SOME TYPE OF CATHARTIC CLOSURE?

NO, LOOK ASTER, I DON'T EXPECT YOU TO--



--BECAUSE YOU'D BE RIGHT. I DO WANT REVENGE. I WANT THE PEOPLE WHO PUT MY DAUGHTER IN THE GROUND TO FEEL THE SAME PAIN SHE DID.

DUNCAN VILLONE-- DID HE HAVE ASSOCIATES?



I CAN DO YOU ONE BETTER.

WE CAN TELL YOU WHO WAS PULLING HIS STRINGS.



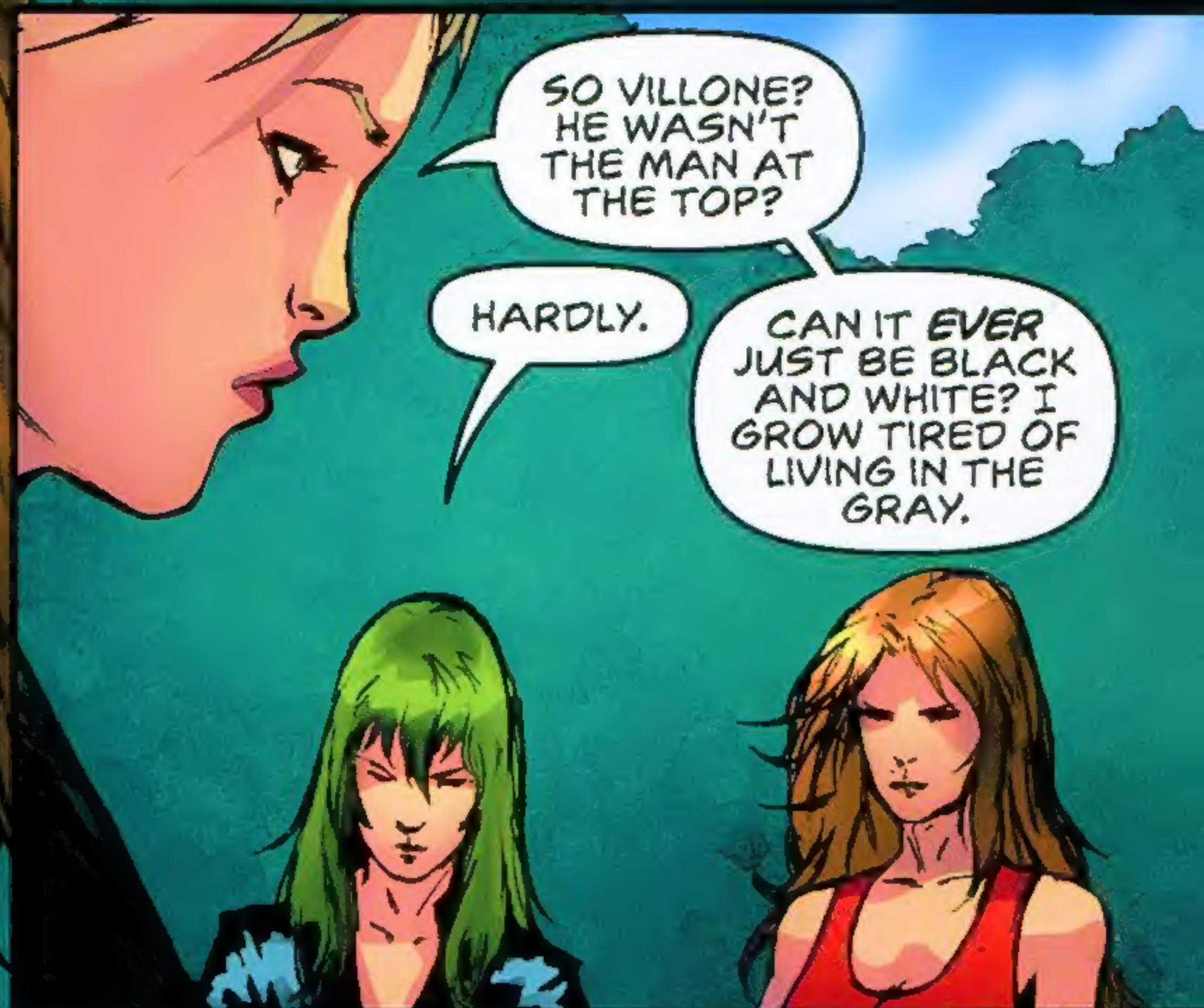
ORCHID?

YOU'RE MIXED UP IN THIS ALSO?

I HAVE MY REASONS. MY MIND... THE MICRO CHIP, SINCE IT WAS REMOVED--



--WELL, LET'S JUST SAY I NEED TO FIND ANSWERS TO WHAT THE HELL THEY PUT IN ME, OR I'LL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN.



SO VILLONE? HE WASN'T THE MAN AT THE TOP?

HARDLY.

CAN IT *EVER* JUST BE BLACK AND WHITE? I GROW TIRED OF LIVING IN THE GRAY.



IT CAN. AND THIS IS YOUR CHANCE. I'M BEING HUNTED BY HIS BOSS, A MAN NAMED **MAZUTSU**. AND QUITE FRANKLY-- WE ALL ARE. NO SOONER WILL HE BE DONE WITH ME BEFORE HE COMES LOOKING FOR YOU TWO.

THIS IS OUR ONLY OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE IT TO HIM, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE. ORCHID CAN GET HER ANSWERS. YOU CAN GET CLOSURE.



BUT, WE NEED YOUR HELP, ASTER. YOU'RE MORE SKILLED THAN ALL OF US.

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU.





I TAKE OFFENSE TO THAT. MY LOYALTY TO MY PEOPLE HAS NEVER BEEN QUESTIONED. IF YOU HELP ME TAKE THE REST OF THEM OUT, I WILL RETURN THE FAVOR IN KIND-- WELL, YOUR CHIP I MEAN. NOT YOU.



NOW... WE MUST DECIDE WHICH OF THEM WILL GO FIRST.

WELL, OBVIOUSLY THEY ARE ALL DANGEROUS IN THEIR OWN REGARD, BUT **HER**-- SHE COULD BE A HUGE PROBLEM.

THE GIRLS WILL MOST LIKELY LOOK TO GROUP UP, CONSIDERING OUR INTEL TELLS US LILY IS IN THE STATES.



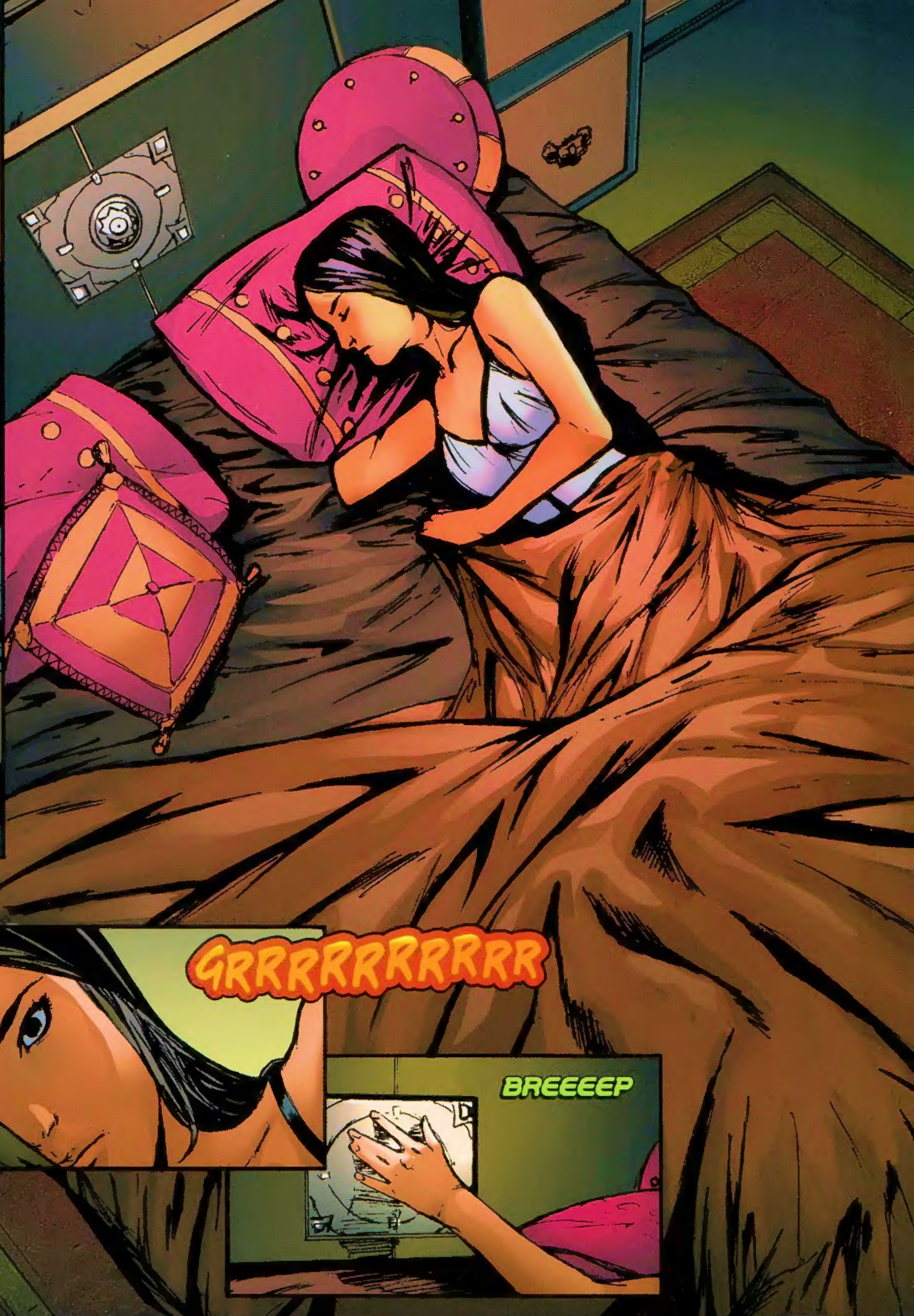
BUT, THEY WILL NEED CONSIDERABLE RESOURCES TO ATTEMPT TO FIGHT BACK. WE MUST FIRST DEBILITATE THEIR CAPABILITIES. IN THAT REGARD...



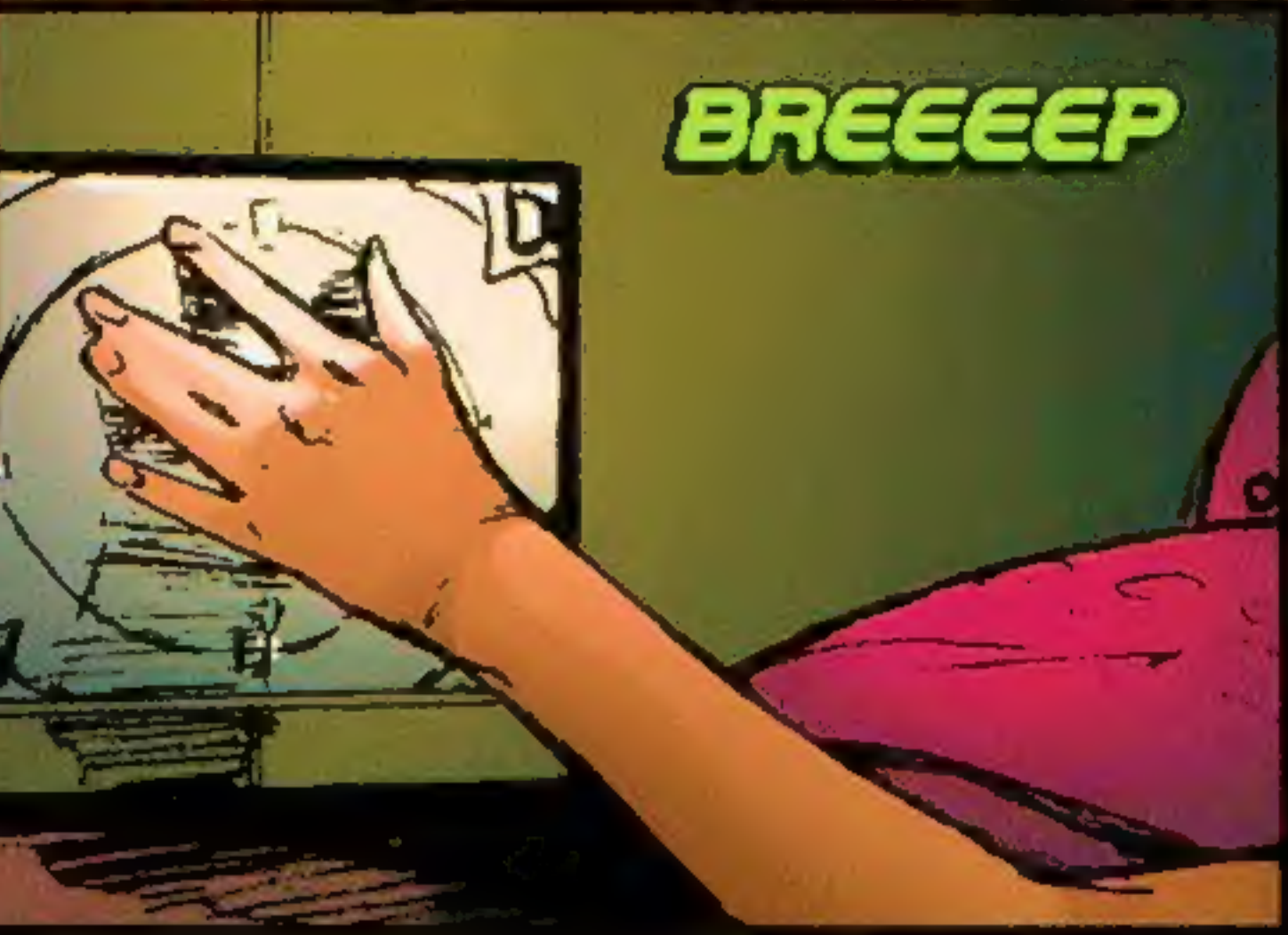


"...OUR FIRST
CHOICE IS
SIMPLE."

ALWAR, INDIA.



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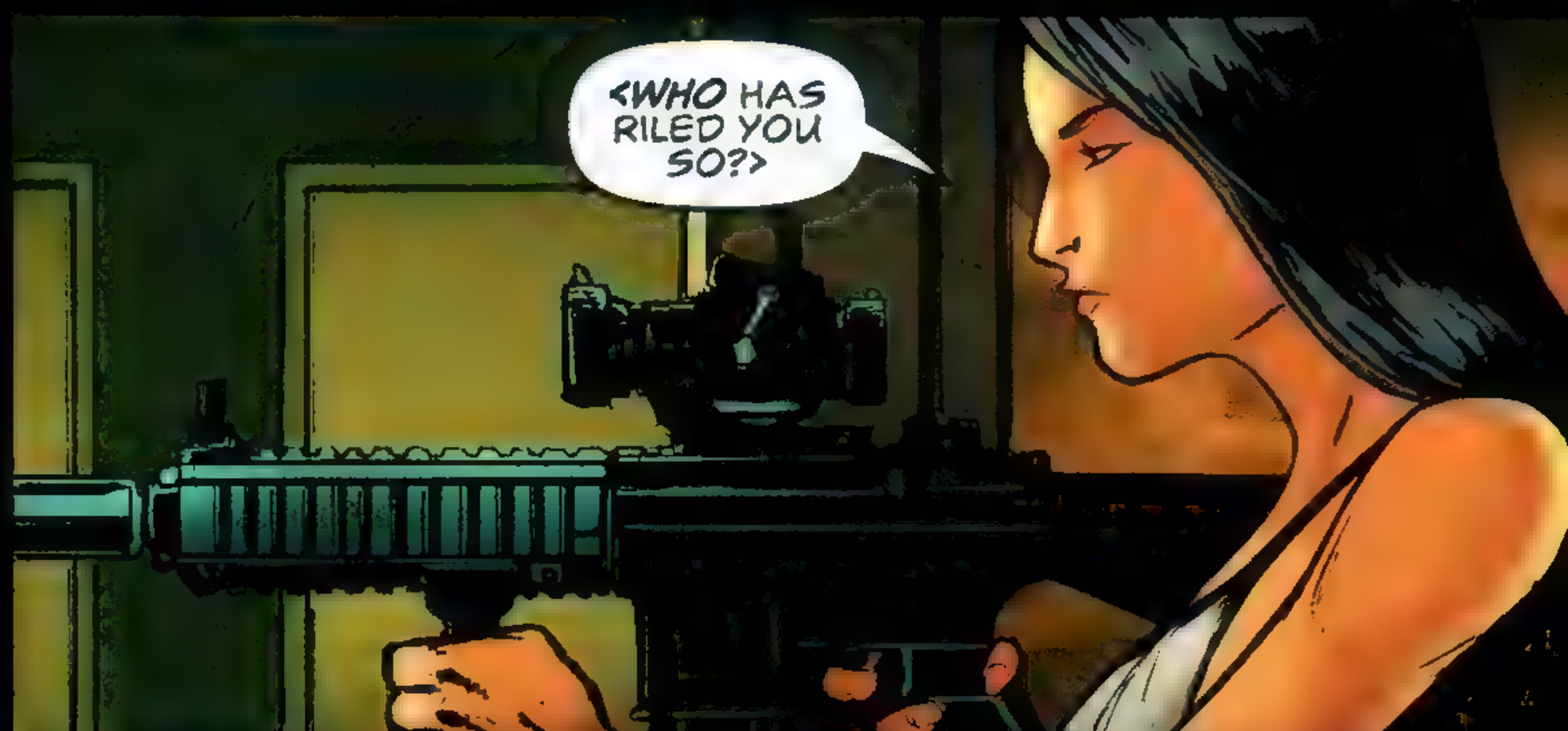
BREEEEP



VMMMMMMMM



CLICK





YOUR STUN
GRENADES ARE
VERY ADVANCED--
IMPRESSIVE.

DON'T
MOVE.



YOU REALLY
THINK I'M GOING
TO FOLLOW THAT
ADVICE?

NO--



--BUT
IT SLOWED
YOU DOWN
ENOUGH!

FWICK



AHHHHHHH!

WAIT... THIS
DAGGER--



--ROSE??

IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU, LOTUS. I THOUGHT I'D MAKE IT A SURPRISE ENTRANCE. I DO LOVE SURPRISES.

BUT-- WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!

DOES IT MATTER? WHAT DID YOU THINK? ALL OF US ASSASSINS WOULD ALWAYS GET ALONG? BE ONE HAPPY FAMILY? IRIS COULD BE OUR MOTHER? C'MON. YOU KNOW HOW THE GAME IS PLAYED. WE GO TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. IT'S WHAT WE DO. NOT ALL OF US ARE MADE OF MONEY.

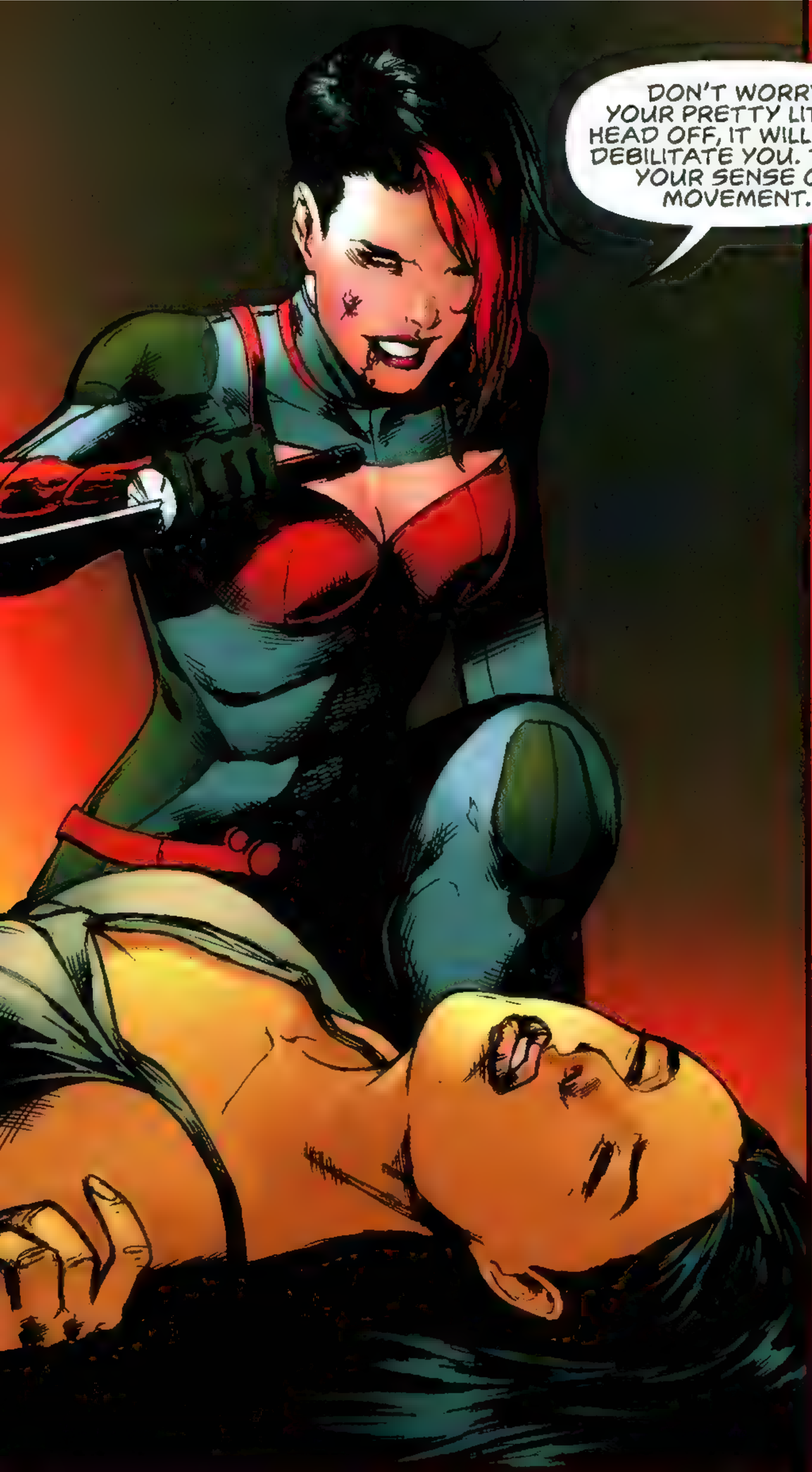
BITCH. I NEVER TRUSTED YOU TO BEGIN WITH. YOU THINK YOUR SCHOOLING WILL HELP YOU AGAINST A REAL ASSASSIN...?



I WAS BORN INTO THIS!



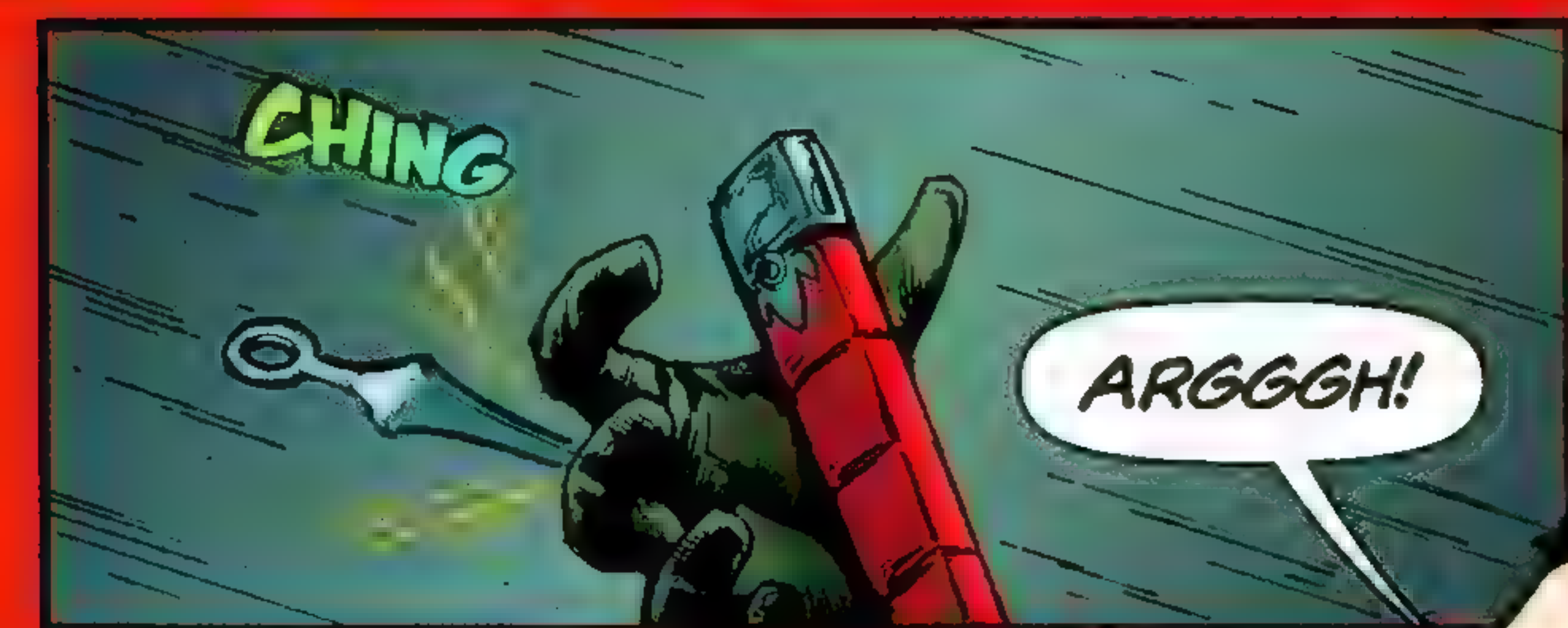




DON'T WORRY
YOUR PRETTY LITTLE
HEAD OFF, IT WILL ONLY
DEBILITATE YOU. TAINT
YOUR SENSE OF
MOVEMENT.



I WANT
THE JOY OF
KILLING YOU
MYSELF.



ARGGGH!



WHO...?

DID YOU SEE
THAT THROW? I
STILL GOT IT.

I COULD'VE
HIT THAT SHOT
AS WELL.

LET'S
SEE YOU
TRY.

LADIES, DID
YOU FORGET WHAT
THE OBJECTIVE IS
HERE?





WE'LL LOOK
AT THIS, A
REUNION?



HAVE YOU LOST
YOUR MIND, ROSE?
LOTUS CAME TO OUR
AID-- HELPED YOU
WHEN WE TOOK ON
VILLONE!



I... DON'T
NEED YOUR
HELP.

THAT'S NOT
HOW IT LOOKS
TO ME.



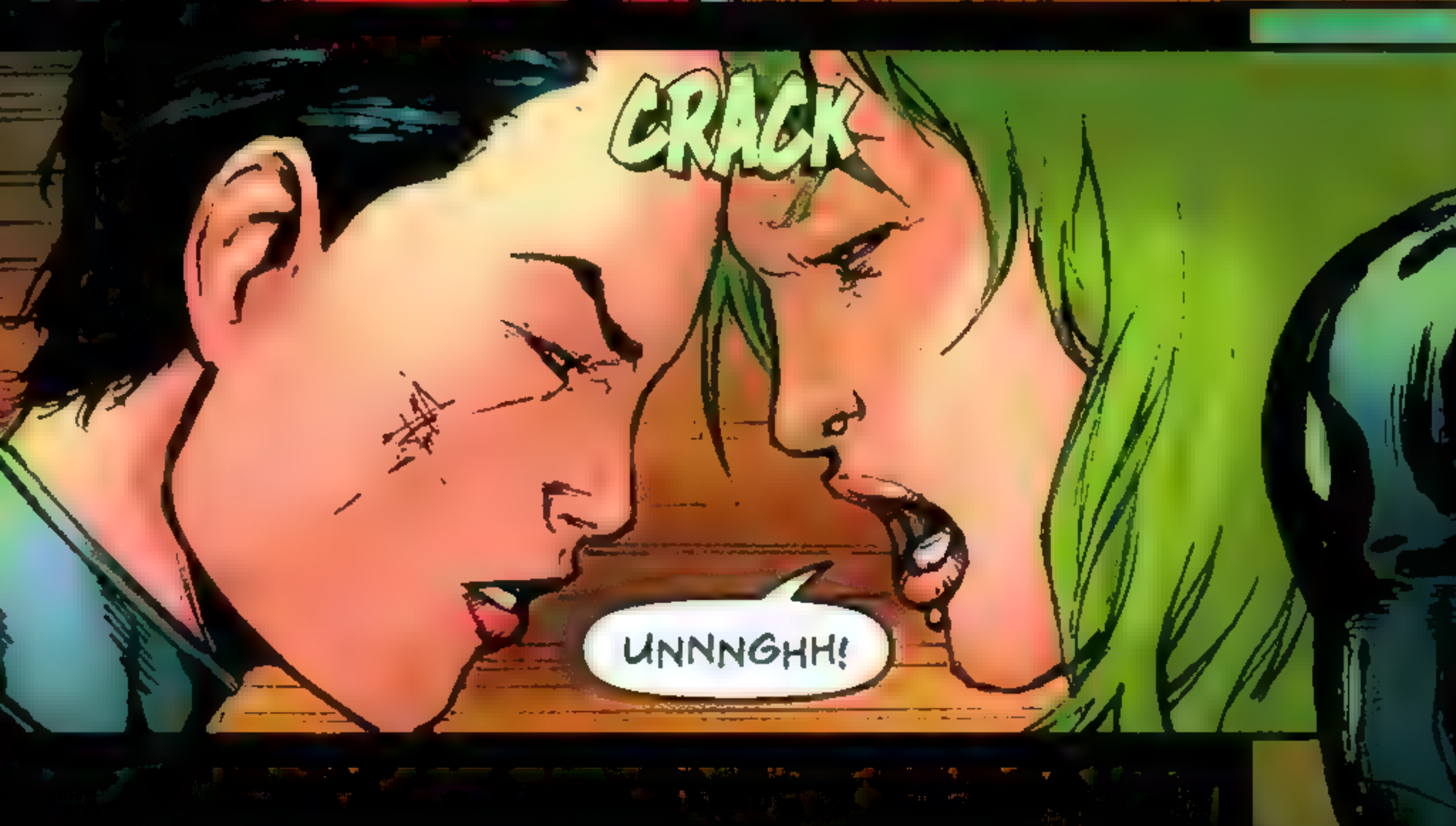
YOU THINK I'M
FRIGHTENED BY A
JUNKIE, AN ELDERLY
WOMAN AND DRUG
DEALER'S LACKEY?



LET'S END
THIS.











PUT HER
DOWN, OR THE
NEXT SHOT IS
THROUGH *YOUR*
TEMPLE.

TO BE CONTINUED...

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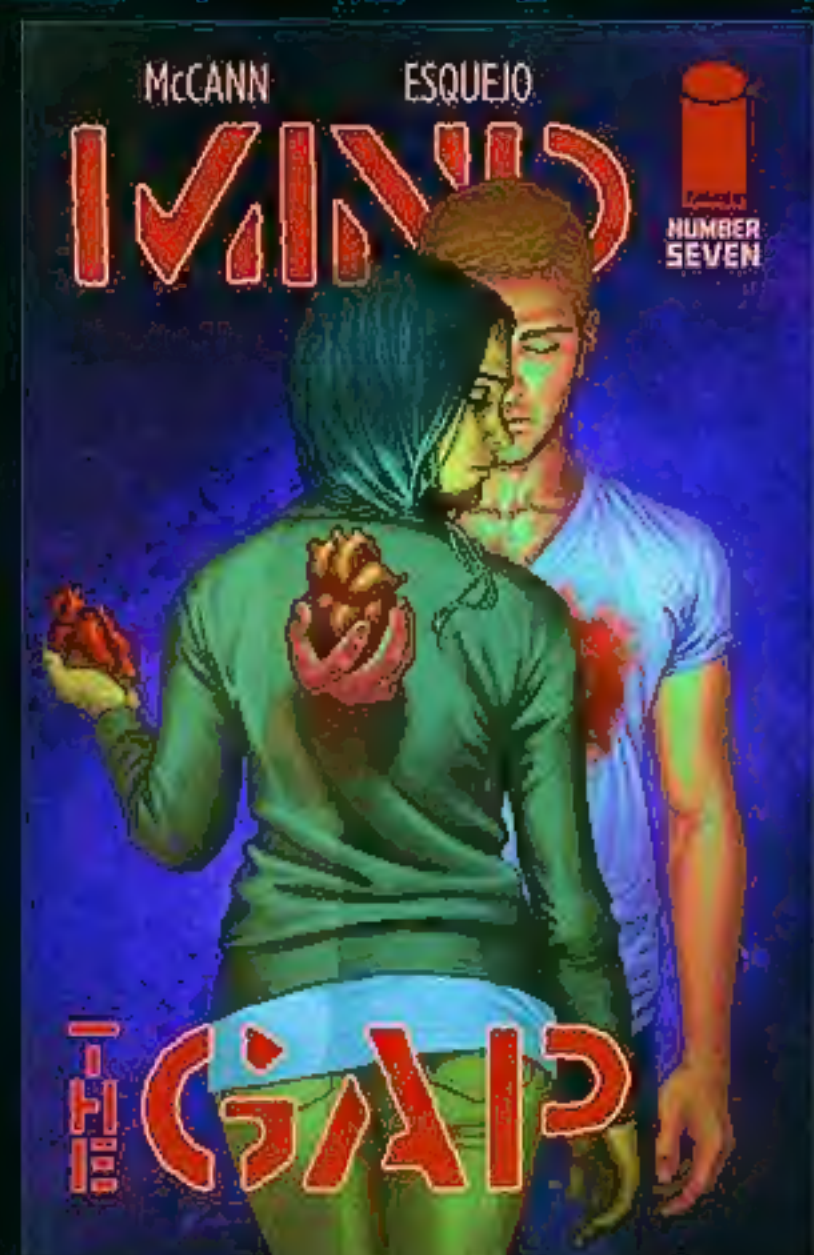
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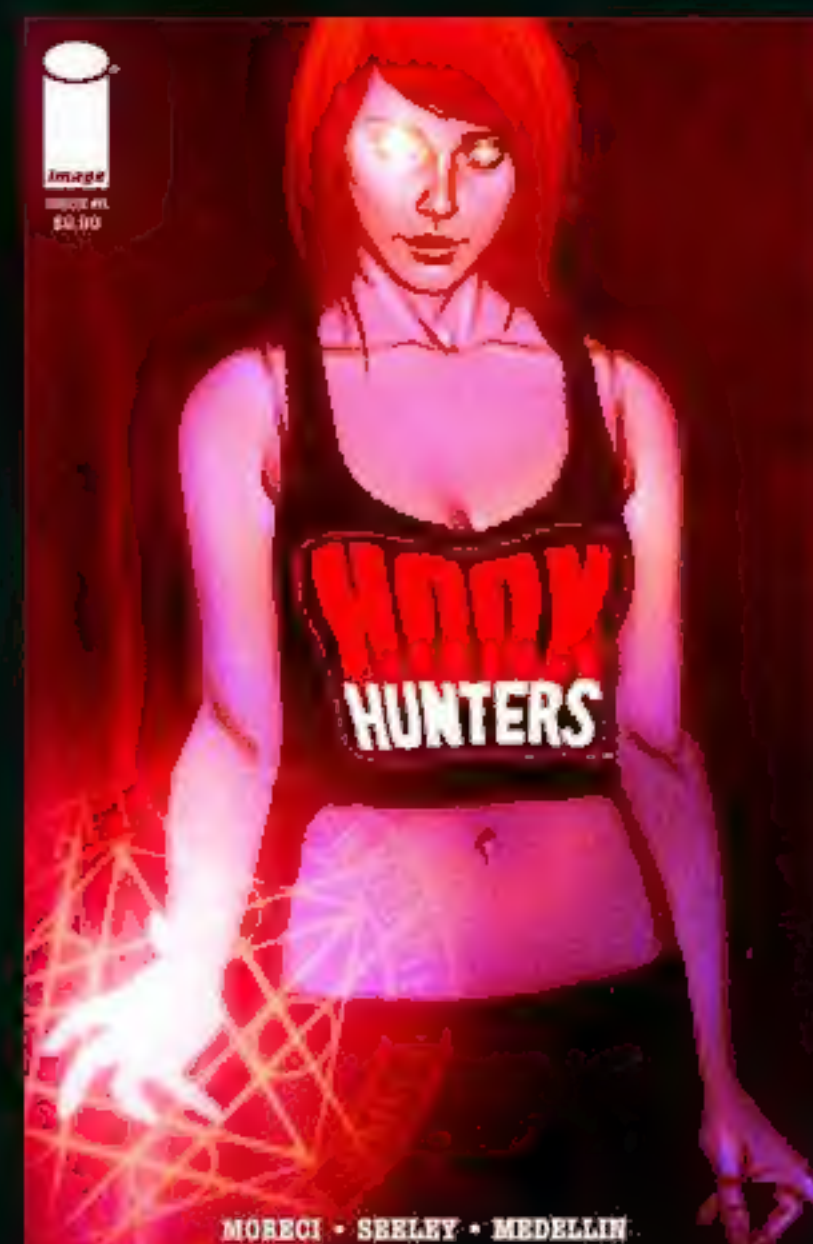
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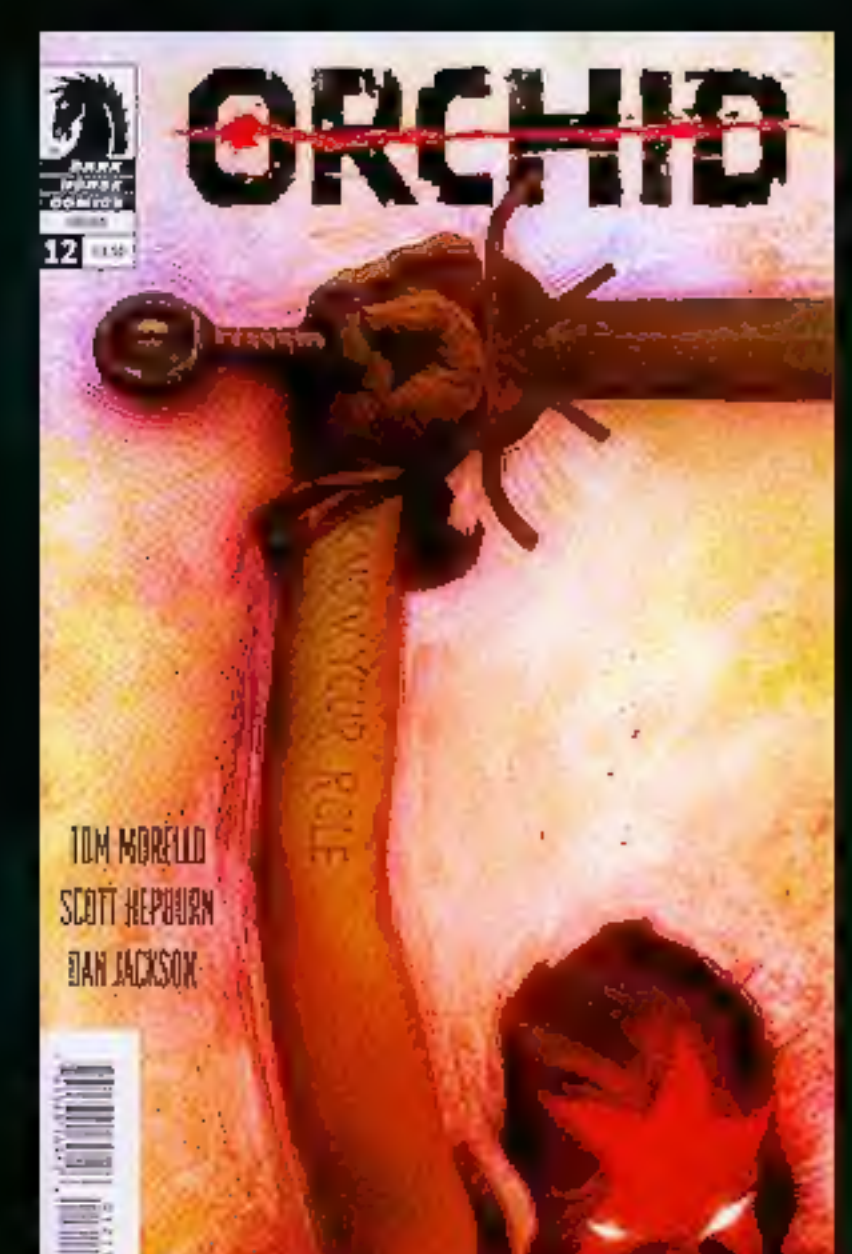
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